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OF THE

SEVENTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Cahaba Baptist Association,

HELD WITH

Hopewell Baptist Church, Perry County, Ala.,

October 16, 17 and 18, 1889.

OFFICERS:

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HOPEWLLL, October 16, 1889.

The Cahaba Baptist Association convened pursuant to adjournment in the seventy-second annual session with Hopewell Baptist Church, Perry County, on Wednesday, October 16, 1889.

Introductory sermon preached by Rev. L. M. Bradley at 11 o'clock, from Rom. 8:34; subject—"A Living and Interceding Saviour," to an appreciative audience.

On motion of Rev. W. B. Crumpton, the order of business printed in the minutes of last session was adopted as a guide for the present session of the association.

Adjourned one hour for dinner.

EVENING SESSION.

2 p. m. Association called to order by the former Moderator. Prayer by Rev. W. A. Bishop.

The letters were called for, read by Revs. H. D. D. Straton and D. C. Culbreth, and the following brethren enrolled as delegates:

Bethlehem—Wm. F. Harris.
Bethel—F. M. James, T. A. Logan, J. P. Harris.
Concord—J. M. Watters.
Ephesus—George W. Huey, W. J. Huey.
Fellowship—J. T. Curb, E. D. Avery, R. L. Carter, J. L. Curb, E. P. Carter.
Friendship—J. W. Coker, I L. Hicks, E. C. Crow.
Harmony—D. S. Griffin, A. J. Ivie.
Hepsibah—W. J. Goodger.
Hopewell—Cyrus Billingslea, J. A. Martin, A. M. Evans.
Macedonia—J. J. Stivender.
Mars Hill—S. E. Harrison.
Mt. Hebron—H. L. Windham, E. P. Harris.
Mt. Pleasant—Not represented.
Mt. Gilead—C. J. Stewart.
Mt. Zion—J. N. C. Brown, J. C. Lea, J. C. Suttle, D. C. Culbreth, D. J. Frazier
Mt. Olive—A. Miller, W. T. Taylor.
Medline—By letter.
Macon—George Collins, J. A. Collins
New Hope—G. W. Payne, John R. Lawless, N. J. Lawless.
New Berne—J. E. Walker, W. P. Rascoe.
New Shiloh—W. W. Stondenmire.
Ocmulgee—L. M. Bradley, W. H. J. Holley.
Oak Grove—W. P. McCollum.
Pine Flat—D. F. Cummins, E. P. George, J. F. Eubanks, Miss Sallie Nall, W. B. Alexander.
Pisgah—B. F. Garrison, L. E. Davis, J. B. Ford, L. M. Bradley, T. Y. England George E. Suttle.
Siloam—H. D. D. Straton, P. King, J. T. Murfee, W. B. Crumpton, J. B. Lovelace, J. W. Hodges, Willie Crumpton.
Sardis—R. S. Tubb, Samuel Tubb, G. T. Tucker.
Uniontown—T. W. Hart
Union—T. J. Kinnard, H. T. Stringfellow.

An opportunity was then given for other churches to unite with the association, and the following churches offered letters and representatives: Bethlehem and Mt. Olive.

On motion, the letters of these new churches were referred to a committee consisting of Rev. W. A. Bishop, J. L. Curb and J. C. Suttle.

On motion of Rev. T. W. Hart, the order of business was suspended and the vote of the association was cast for Bro. J. P. Harris as Moderator, and A. J. Ivie as Clerk, by Rev. W. B. Crumpton, electing both to their respective offices. Bro. Crumpton gave a timely exhortation to the delegates to remain until all the business of the association was finished.

A committee on devotional exercises, consisting of the deacons of Hopewell church, was appointed by the Moderator.

The following brethren were appointed delegates to the State Baptist Convention:

Revs. H. D. D. Straton, L M. Bradley, T. W. Hart, D. C. Culbreth, and Brethren E. P. George, J. W. Edmonds, C. C. Cosby, J. T. Collins, D. W. Ward, W. B. Jeffries, J. P. Harris.

The Committee on the Religious Condition of the Churches being absent, the vacancy was supplied by appointing J. N. C. Brown, J. R. Lawless and F. M. James to make the report. Bro. W. B. Crumpton then made a good speech, introducing his State Mission Board Annual, securing subscriptions from nearly every one present.

The committee on the reception of new churches recommended their reception, and Brethren William Harris from Bethlehem, and A. Miller and T. W. Taylor from Mt. Olive were received and seated as delegates.

The reports on State, Home and Foreign Missions was deferred until 10 o'clock Thursday morning, and made a special order for that hour.

On motion, Rev. H. D. D. Straton was received as representative of the Home Mission Board, and Rev. L. M. Bradley for the Foreign Mission Board. Rather than adjourn Bro. Crumpton made a speech on his general work, showing the variety of work that the board is doing.

The Moderator then made the following appointments:

Committee on Finance—D. S. Hogue, L. E. Davis, J. T. Curb.
Delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention—Bro. C. W. Collins.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises made the following report: Preaching Thursday 11 a. m. by Rev. H. D. D. Straton, Friday 11 a. m. by Rev. W. A. Bishop.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock Thursday morning.

THURSDAY.

9 a. m. Association called to order and prayer by Rev. A. M. Perry.

A motion to retain the Finance Committee of last year was amended by sustaining the committee appointed on yesterday.

The following committee on Nominations was appointed by the Moderator: D. J. Frazier, W. P. McCollum, B. F. Garrison.

The committee on the Religious Condition of the Churches offered their report, and after discussion it was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS CONDITION OF THE CHURCHES.

Your committee desire to make the following report: We notice that not a few of the churches connected with this association have enjoyed liberal outpourings of the Holy Spirit during the past year. An increasing number of Sabbath-schools has been established. So far as we can ascertain more religious papers are taken than heretofore, and in this and other departments gratifying progress has been made. From all quarters we hear encouraging reports of the efficient work by our diligent and beloved secretary of the State Mission Board. We learn that our district meetings have been a grand success, and we earnestly recommend that they be permanently kept up, embracing every fifth Sunday, and report results to the next association. All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. N. C. Brown, Ch'n.

The report on State Missions was read by Bro. Crumpton; the report on Home Missions was read by Bro. A. M. Perry; the report on Foreign Missions was read by Rev. T. W. Hart, and all three reports discussed under the general head of missions by Rev. W. B Crumpton; then continued until 2 o'clock p. m.

The hour for the Missionary Sermon having arrived, Rev. H. D. D. Straton preached a forcible sermon from Isa. 54:4, 5, after which a collection was taken amounting to $102, which amount was divided equally among State, Home and Foreign Missions.

Adjourned one hour for dinner.

EVENING SESSION.

2 p. m. Association called to order with singing. Prayer by Rev. L. M. Bradley.

The subject of Missions was resumed and Rev. L. M. Bradley made a touching appeal in behalf of Foreign Missions, and especially for the support of the representatives going from our own bounds. Rev. H. D. D. Straton set forth the claims of Home Missions in a forcible, concise speech, appealing to the loyalty of the Cahaba Association in sustaining this field. Bro. J. B. Lovelace made a feeling talk in behalf of the work, followed by Revs. D. C. Culbreth, W. A. Bishop and others in pathetic appeals for the support of the work, and the reports were adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The State Mission Board was organized by the Baptist State Convention fifteen years ago. It was only able to support one man in the field for the first two years of its existence. The work has steadily grown until now there are more than sixty in its employ. The following is a summary of their work for twelve months ending June 30.

Days of service, 4,957; miles traveled, 26,301; sermons delivered, 2,746; addresses made, 983; churches constituted, 12; number of persons baptized, 211; baptized by others in connection with my labors, 314; received by let-

ter, 413; restored, 37; Sunday-schools organized, 47; Sunday-schools addressed, 180; Ladies' Missionary Societies organized, 8; prayer meetings organized, 78; prayer meetings held, 817; number of regular preaching stations without churches, 127; number of visits to preaching stations, 195; number of churches visited, 338; number of visits made, 7,431; subscribers to the ALABAMA BAPTIST secured, 77; subscribers to the Foreign Mission Journal secured, 53; families destitute of the Bible, 142; individuals destitute of the Bible, 48; number of Bibles donated, 181; number of Testaments donated, 205; value of Bibles and Testaments donated, $59 55; number of books and pamphlets sold, 1,297; *value of books and pamphlets sold, $624 37; pages of tracts distributed, 7,312; meeting houses commenced, 20; meeting houses finished, 5; money collected for meeting houses, $8,670.56; money collected for State Missions, $1,433.37; money collected for Home Missions, $39 76; money collected for Foreign Missions, $102 20; money collected for Ministerial Education, $47.85; money collected for Indigent Ministers, $1.50 *These figures show only what was sold by two or three men. The Depository received from the sale of books, $2,945 53

We will never, while time shall last, know the results of these fifteen years of labor. Hundreds of churches have been established, the weak made strong, and the gospel has been preached to the destitute. In a late publication we learn that out of ten churches in and around Birmingham which have been assisted by the Board, eight of them now have comfortable houses, and are helping the Board. One of these has contributed to the denomination probably five hundred times the amount appropriated to it by the Board in its early struggles. This is only one of the many, though probably the most noted instance which might be cited.

The development in our State is so rapid it is impossible for the Board, with the small amount entrusted to it, to supply the many points calling for aid. Often the Board is compelled either to withhold aid altogether or make the appropriation so small the results are not what they should be.

Besides looking after the destitution in our own State, this Board is the agent for the other mission boards.

Its employees are all instructed to present the mission idea in its broadest sense. The whole world for Jesus Christ is the motto of the Board, as it should be of every true Christian.

Besides this the Board has in charge the Aged and Infirm Ministers fund and the Baptist Book and Bible Depository at Marion. We recommend

1. That this association agrees as a body to try to raise the $1,200 asked of us for the next year.
2. That a committee be appointed to apportion this amount out to the churches.
3. That we recommend the envelope system as adopted by the Board. The envelopes can be had free, on application to the Secretary.
4. That pastors and deacons be urged to canvass their churches as soon as they return to their homes, giving all members an opportunity to say what they will give by the month or quarter. The canvassing book prepared by the Secretary of the State Mission Board will simplify and systematize this work.

Respectfully submitted,

W. B. CRUMPTON, Ch'n.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your committee observes with profound thanksgiving to Almighty God the handsome income over that of last year. We have the report of the Treasurer of the Home Board, which is encouraging, though there are many churches that are not in sympathy with the work, but they are falling into line as they become better developed The following is a summary of the work done by the employes of this Board. Missionaries, 328; weeks of labor, 12,409; churches and stations 1,134; sermons and addresses, 35,216; prayer meetings, 8,419; baptisms, 4,837; received by letter, 3,565; total additions, 8,402; Sunday-schools organized, 343; teachers and

pupils, 10,170; religious visits, 51,190; houses of worship, 58; churches organized, 328; pages of tracts distributed, 850,000; Bibles and Testaments, 5 000.

The remarkable interest in the work in the Island of Cuba is unabated. Our people there are working with the same enthusiasm and peristence that marked the beginning. Numbers and influence in Havana are steadily increasing. They confidently expect in a few years to control the religious opinions of that great city, and then possess the whole of that beautiful island. They base their confidence upon the promises of Him who has declared that all lands shall accept His son, whom He has set upon His holy hill

The following statistics will be interesting: Missionaries, 20; weeks of labor 970; churches supplied, 7, other stations, 20; sermons and addresses, 1,835; weekly prayer meetings, 18; baptisms, 300; total membership, 1,493; Sunday-schools, 26 teachers and pupils, 2,228; religious visits, 3,655: pupils converted, 6; money collected, $2,255 70. All of which is respectfully submitted. A. M. Perry, Ch'n.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The spirit of missions is the spirit of Christ. Both by precept and example our divine Master taught his people that their great duty in life was to "preach the gospel to every creature," for it has pleased him "by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe."

Had Jehovah so willed, he might have ordained different instrumentalities, he might have sent forth legions of angels as heralds of "the everlasting gospel," or as "celestial foemen to contend with principalities and powers." But to render the acceptance of the gospel a matter of simple faith, as well as to honor the saved sinner, man is made a herald and instrument of salvation to man.

There is a grand significance in those final words of the Lord Jesus just as his blessed feet were departing from Olivet's brow, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." The burden then of our work and of our message is not to teach human traditions, shine they with never so much of ancestral glory; it is not to add any new ceremony to the instructive and significant teachings of the New Testament; neither to lay aside, as outgrown by the progressive and cultured spirit of the age, any of the ordinances instituted by the King himself; but the preservation of the gospel in its original purity and simplicity. Nay, more, it is the propagation of divinely ordained principles, the maintenance amid the varied forms of error of the sublime and instructive ritualism of the gospel; the extension of its conquests even unto the ends of the earth.

If this then, brethren, be our great work in life, what are we, as Baptists, doing to accomplish it? Are we so much engrossed in the pursuit of wealth or fame as to forget the great trust which the Head of the church has imposed upon us? or, are we by prayer and alms and toil, earnestly endeavoring to lift the race to life and to God again?

Let us be up and doing. Let us heed the great marching orders of the Captain of our salvation and go forward.

Never before in the history of missions has there been so much ground for encouragement as there is to-day. It may be truly and emphatically said that "the field is now white unto harvest." And never before have laborers been found so willing and ready to enter the field. Shall we not let them go? The Macedonian cry, "Come over and help us," comes to us this morning from the isles of the sea. Ethiopia, even, has stretched forth her hand and the most benighted nations of the earth are to-day waiting anxiously and earnestly for the Word.

And God, in order to encourage us in our work, has given us a divine assurance that our effort for the salvation of the world will not be in vain. He haa assured us that if we be faithful to the trust imposed upon us that the gospel of his blessed Son shall triumph over every opposition, until, like a sea of glory, it shall spread from pole to pole. Then shall go up from

earth's Redeemer millions, the triumphant shout, Allelujah, Allelujah, the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth.

Respectfully submitted,

T. W. Hart, Ch'n.

On motion, Bro. Daughdrill was received as corresponding messenger from Bethel Association and invited to participate in the proceedings of the association.

An invitation from Dr. S. W. Averett to visit the New Judson, and from Dr. Murfee to visit the Marion Military Institute, was made to the association by Bro. Crumpton and urged by Bro. Lovelace.

The Clerk offered blank forms for associational letters and financial exhibit for adoption by the association, which were referred to Committee on Finance, with the Clerk added to committee.

On motion, the association adjourned till 9 o'clock Friday morning.

FRIDAY.

9 o'clock a. m. Association called to order by the Moderator. Prayer by Rev. D. C. Culbreth.

The minutes of the Sunday-school Convention were read and approved, subject to abridgement by the Clerk, and ordered printed in the minutes of the association.

The report on Education was read by Bro. J. C. Suttle, and pending its adoption, the following pledges were secured for Ministerial Education:

T. W. Hart	$ 5 00	Uniontown Church	$ 5 00
D. C. Culbreth	5 00	Gallion "	5 00
L. M. Bradley	5 00	Mt. Zion "	5 00
H. D. D. Straton	5 00	Bethel "	5 00
Woman's Mis. Soc., Uniontown	5 00	Pine Flat "	5 00
Pisgah Church	5 00	Union "	5 00
Hepsibah "	5 00	Fellowship "	5 00
Mt. Olive "	5 00	Harmony "	5 00
Concord "	5 00	Hopewell "	5 00
S. S. Siloam Church	5 00	Hopewell Sunday School	5 00
S. S. Workers, Siloam Church	5 00	Mars Hill Church	5 00
Siloam Church	5 00	Newberne "	5 00
Ocmulgee "	5 00	Ephesus "	5 00
New Shiloh "	5 00	Friendship "	5 00
Bethlehem "	5 00		

Report on Education adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We are glad to be able to report an increasing interest in the cause of education, not only by the Baptists of Alabama but by the masses of our people. As an evidence of this fact, we refer to the increased donation to our public schools and the new school buildings going up all over our State.

We are proud of the progress of the institutions of learning fostered by our denomination.

The Seminary at Louisville, Ky., for the training of our ministry is prospering as no other similar institution in this country. Howard College, at East Lake, is bidding fair to overcome the difficulties with which it has had to contend since its removal from Marion. A larger number of students are enrolled at this time than has been before in a long time this early in the

session, and the prospect is still brightening. Judson Institute, the pride of us all, is lifting its towering head above the late disaster, and now stands pre-eminently above any institution of its character in the South. We would recommend to the churches to stand by and support these, our own schools.

We would also call attention to the demands being made upon our Ministerial Board located at Montgomery, and would urge the churches to send in their contributions to support our young preachers who are preparing for the successful prosecution of the great work to which the Lord has called them.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. Suttle.
B. F. Garrison.

The report on Sunday Schools was read and spoken to by Bro. W. B. Alexander, and adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOL.

We, your committee, recognize the importance of Sunday Schools and deplore the negligence of our churches either in organizing or reporting schools; the one is scarcely less reprehensible than the other.

The fact that so many of our Sunday Schools fail to make a full report deters us from giving statistics, but we hope soon to see a flourishing school reported from every church, with a membership double that of the churches.

Let the word of God dwell richly in our midst.

Respectfully submitted,

W. B. Alexander, Ch'n.

On motion, the apportionment of last year was adopted for this year, with Bethlehem $15.00, and Mt. Olive $10.00, added:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENT.

Your committee on Apportionment for missions and other purposes, to the various churches, beg leave to report the following:

Bethlehem	$ 15 00	Macon	90 00
Bethel	25 00	New Hope	25 00
Concord	25 00	Newberne	45 00
Ephesus	20 00	New Shiloh	20 00
Fellowship	22 00	Ocmulgee	35 00
Friendship	22 00	Oak Grove	35 00
Harmony	12 00	Pine Flat	45 00
Hepsibah	20 00	Pisgah	35 00
Hopewell	50 00	Siloam	400 00
Macedonia	20 00	Sardis	15 00
Mars Hill	12 00	Union	25 00
Mt. Hebron	12 00	Uniontown	100 00
Mt. Gilead	32 00	Medline	10 00
Mt. Zion	32 00	Mt. Pleasant	10 00
Mt. Olive	10 00		

Respectfully submitted,

D. S. Hogue,
C. C. Cosby,
W. T. Pierson.

The report on Woman's Work was read by Bro. Bradley, and after speeches by Rev. L. M. Bradley and D. C. Culbreth, was adopted, as below:

WOMAN'S WORK.

Your committee beg leave to submit the following report:

Nothing can be learned from the minutes of the Association as to what the women are doing, but we learn from the minutes of the Southern Baptist Convention that they are organizing in all the Southern States but two, and that they are doing a grand work, which the following will show:

In the dessimination of literature they have sent out: Postals, 182; let-

ters, 637; mite boxes, 225; papers, 1,644; circulars, programmes, notices, etc., 7,620; brick cards (Cuba) 11,372; prayer cards, 11,915; Christmas envelopes, 29,075; leaflets and pamphlets, 52,241. This literature has been sent to the fourteen States (S. B. C.), in packages, 944. This amount of money raised and paid over to the Treasurer of the Foreign Mission Board, $17,882.58. This does not include all the moneys collected, for much has been paid in through other channels.

The Baptists have the honor of organizing the first society in America. This work has steadily grown until to-day there are more than sixteen hundred societies formed in the Baptist churches in the South. While we led off in the work, our Methodist sisters have almost doubled us in the work.

That organization is the one thing needful is apparent to all, since strength is in union, and success in concert of action. That the women should organize, may be seen by the high places they occupy in the Savior's kingdom, and by the influence of the Marys, Dorcas and Lydias, and as it is estimated that two-thirds of the professing Christians are women.

While we urge organization, we do not mean separate from the church, but we recommend that the Christian women should organize themselves into societies in the church and work with the church, and report their work through the church.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

L. M. Bradley, Ch'n.

The following resolution on Denominational Literature was offered by Bro. W. B. Crumpton, and adopted:

DENOMINATIONAL LITERATURE.

Resolved, That we heartily commend to the members of our churches the Alabama Baptist, Our Home Field, published by the Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga., price 25 cents; the Foreign Mission Journal, published by the Foreign Mission Board, at Richmond Va., price 35 cents.

The report on Temperance was read by Rev. W. A. Bishop, and adopted:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Temperance is one of the golden gems of life, one of the cardinal virtues and the guardian of all others. It holds the reins of every desire of the mind, of every affection of the heart, and every passion and aspiration of the soul; it is therefore, that we are admonished to be temperate in all things.

The field of temperance is broad, covering the whole area of life, and he who would make the most of life must be temperate in all things—he must master himself. The most of the troubles and sorrows of life are but the fruits of intemperance of some kind. The law of nature is penalty, pain shall follow excess. We should be intemperate in nothing, but temperate in all things. "No excess" should be written in bold characters over the door of the dining hall, over the door of the sleeping-room. "No excess" And at the corner of every avenue and every street leading into the varied duties of life should be written "no excess." No one will tell all the evils of the intemperate use of intoxicating drink; of the fortunes it has squandered, the hopes crushed, prospects blighted, homes made desolated, health destroyed, souls ruined. None. Time would fail. Eternity alone will tell the sad story.

It is said that it makes one-half of all our insane; more than one-half of our paupers; 75 per cent. of our murders, and more than 80 per cent. of all our criminals. The United States pays annually more than nine hundred million dollars for intoxicating liquors, and most of it to be used to poison blood, to plant disease, to destroy health, to cloud judgment, to sear conscience, to harden hearts, to paralyze the will, to destroy the love of self, the love of home, the love of purity and goodness; to fill the poor houses with paupers, asylums with the insane, jails and penitentiaries with criminals,

the world with driveling idiots and raving maniacs, and graves with drunkards. Nine hundred million dollars to do this! Wretched traffic! Who so fallen as to become a partner in this wreck of humanity?

Brethren, here is this evil, but where is the remedy? We have tried moral suasion and temperance societies and the strong arm of the law, and from the pulpits of the land the faithful ministers have denounced the evil, and in the words of inspiration, have said no drunkard shall inherit the kingdom of heaven, and to look not upon the wine while it is red, for "at the last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder" But still the great evil exists, and now what shall we do? We appeal to all lovers of peace, of purity and virtue; to all that love the Lord Jesus Christ and His church, to do all that you can by example and precept to remove this great ememy from our land. And more especially do we appeal to woman. Woman, bloom of immortality, angel of mercy, to you we appeal. Mother, sister, wife, daughter—magical words—comprising the sweetest sources of man's felicity; yours is the reign of beauty, the reign of love, the reign of reason—always a reign—and if true to yourself, you may yield a degree of moral and social influence over the destiny of nations greater than Napoleon in his palmiest days, for while an army is necessary to conquer a world, woman's moral influence alone can civilize and save it

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. Bishop, Ch'n.

Treasurer's report read, adopted and ordered printed in the minutes:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

A. J. Ivie, in account with Cahaba Association:

Dr.

October 19, 1889.			
To amount received of Finance Committee		$192 41	
" " by missionary collections		15 00	
" " collection for Harmony		39 50	$247 01
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By amount paid W. B. Crumpton		$202 56	
" " for printing minutes		25 00	
" " express on minutes		25	
" " for Association letter blanks		75	
" " clerk for services rendered		15 00	
" " for stationery and postage		2 82	$246 38
Balance due Cahaba Association			63

A. J. Ivie, Treasurer.

Report on nominations read, amended and adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS.

Your committee on nominations beg leave to report:

We would recommend that the next session of the Cahaba Association convene with Mt. Gilead Church, Bibb county, Tuesday after the second Sabbath in October, 1890, at 10 o'clock a. m.

Introductory sermon by W. A. Bishop; alternate Rev. D. C. Culbreth.

Missionary sermon Thursday at 11 o'clock, by T. W. Hart; alternate, Dr. H. D. D. Straton.

Respectfully submitted,

D. J. Frarer,
W. P. McCollum.
B. F. Garrison.

The following resolution of thanks offered by Bro. Wm. B. Alexander was received:

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

Resolved, That this body hereby tender their grateful thanks to Hopewell

Church and community for their kind hospitality to the delegates and visitors during this session.

The following standing commtttees were then appointed by the Moderator:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

State Missions—N. H. Thompson, L. E. Davis, J. W. Cochran.
Home Missions—D. C. Cuthbreth, E. P George, J. J. Slivender.
Foreign Missions—L. M. Bradley, W. O. Perry, J. M. Watters.
Woman's Work—W. B. Alexander, D. J. Frazier, T. D. Potts.
Education—J. T. Murfee, J. N. C. Brow, J. B. Ford.
Denominational Literature—W. W. Stoudenmire, J. C. Suttle, G. W. Huey.
Temperance—W. T. Pearson, T. Y. England, N. B. Coker.
Sunday Schools—A. H. James, G. W. Suttle, J. C. Lea.

The following resolution for the disbursement of associational funds was offered by Rev. T. W. Hart:

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Association be paid $15 00 for his services; that the printing and disbursement of the minutes be paid for; also the binder for file of minutes, and the balance, if any, paid to State Missions.

The hour having arrived for preaching, Rev. W. A. Bishop preached a feeling sermon to an appreciative audience.

The following reports of the Finance Committee was read by Bro. L. E. Davis, and adopted:

FINANCE REPORT.

We, your Committee on Finance, after a careful examination of the finances of the churches as reported in their letters, beg leave to offer the subjoined financial exhibit.

We would further respectfully recommend the adoption of the letter blanks and blank for financial exhibit, offered by A. J. Ivie, believing that they will greatly facilitate our efforts to furnish accurate statistics.

D. S. Hogue,
J. T. Curb,
A. J. Ivie,
L. E. Davis.
Committee.

The Association then adjourned to meet with Mt. Gilead Church, Perry county, on Tuesday before the third Sunday in October, 1890.

J. P. HARRIS, Moderator.

A. J. Ivie, Clerk.

Pine Flat, July 12, 1889.

11:30 A. M.—The second session of the Cababa Baptist Sunday School Convention opened with introductory sermon by Rev. J. W. Haggard.

2 P. M.—The Convention was called to order by Rev. L. M. Bradley. The following Sunday Schools reported and their delegates enrolled:

Concord—W. R. Hanson, R. N. Edwards.
Morgan Springs—W. M. Powell, B. F. Gray.
Hopewell—A. M. Evans, Miss Mattie Underwood, Miss Minnie Muckle.
Harmony—Mrs. M. G. Ivie, A. J. Ivie.

Mt. Zion—Miss Maggie Brown, W. J. Litsey.
Mt. Gilead—C. J. Stewart. D. D. Potts, J. W. Haggard.
New Shiloh—Miss Tallie Pryor, Miss Mary Hendrix, C. C. Cosby.
Ocmulgee—G. M. Smith, N. T. Quarles, Mrs. G. M. Smith.
Pine Flat—Mrs. W. B. Alexander, Miss Ida George, J. M. McCollough.

A permanent organization was effected by electing Bro. J. M. Watters Chairman and A. J. Ivie Secretary and Treasurer.

In the absence of the appointed speaker the first subject was passed, and the second subject, "The duty of parents toward their children in regard to attending Sunday Schools," was opened by Rev. J. S. Bolling, followed by Bro. Bradley and others.

The third subject, "The qualifications and duties of Sunday School officers," was opened by Rev. J. W. Haggard, and spoken to by Bro. J. M. McCollough and others.

On suggestion of Bro. Bradley a finance committee, consisting of J. M. McCollough and B. F. Gray, was appointed, to serve from time to time, until they see fit to resign.

The business for the first day being finished, the Convention adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY.

9 A. M.—Devotional exercises for half an hour. Convention called to order by the Chairman.

On motion of Bro. Bradley, the regular order of business was suspended and miscellaneous business transacted and committees appointed.

The fourth subject, "The relation of Church and Sunday School," was spoken to by Revs. J. W. Haggard, J. S. Bolling and others.

The fifth subject, "The importance of cultivating benevolence in the Sunday School," was opened by L. M. Bradley, followed by Rev. W. B. Crumpton.

Adjourned one hour for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention called to order by singing and prayer.

The sixth subject, "What part should pastors take in the exercises of the Sunday School?" was discussed by Brethren W. B. Alexander, L. M. Bradley and several others.

The seventh and last subject, "The influence of Sunday School training in forming character," was opened by Bro. A. J. Ivie, and spoken to by Revs. J. S. Bolling and W. B. Crumpton.

The Committee on Nominations made the following report:

Place of next meeting, Harmony, Perry county. Time, Friday before the second fifth Sunday in 1890. Programme to be arranged at the next preceding fifth Sunday meeting of the Cahaba Baptist Association.

L. M. Bradley,
W. B. Alexander,
A. J. Ivie.
Committee.

A motion being approved, the Chairman appointed an execu committee, consisting of W. B. Alexander, A. J. Ivie and I Gray, to further the interests of the Convention.

The Finance Committee reported as follows:

Amount spent for literature, $45 31; amount reported spent for miss $28 76; amount cash for missions, 80 cents; amount cash for minutes conventional purposes, $5.35; amount reported spent for Bible and portage, $4 46. Total, $84 68.

B. F. Gray,
J. M. McCollough
Committ

Adjourned until 9:30 o'clock Sunday morning.

SUNDAY.

9:30 A. M.—Convention called to order by singing and pra Bro. E. P. George leading. The Sunday School was then ganized, with Bro. George as Superintendent. After recitat the children especially were addressed by Rev. W. B. Crump

11:30 A. M.—The Missionary sermon was preached by Rev. B. Crumpton without a text, followed by a collection amount to $7.69 cash, and $50.00 in pledges.

The Executive Committee was then instructed to draw on Treasurer, as necessity demands, for 50 per cent. of the amo sent for minutes and conventional purposes.

No other business presenting, the Convention adjourned meet with Harmony Sunday School on Friday before the sec fifth Sunday in 1890.

J. M. WATTERS, Chairman

A. J. Ivie, Secretary.

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT OF THE CAHABA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION—1889.

CHURCHES.	Home Mis'ns.		For'gn Mis'ns		State Missions.		Not Home.	Ind'gt Min.		Bible & Colp'ge.		Minis'al Educ'tn.			Minutes.	Associational Purposes	Sunday Schools.						Sunday-school Expenses.	W. M. S.		Judson.	Total Cash.	Total Vouchers.	Pastors' Salary.	Repairs, Fuel, the Poor, Etc.	Value of Buildings & Furniture.
												Col. Stud'ts.	Howard College.				Home Mis'n.	For'gn Mis'ns	State Missions.		Chu'ch Bu'ilding	The Poor.	Bible & Colp'ge.		State Mis'n						
	Cash.	Vouchers.	Cash.	Vouchers.	Cash.	Vouchers.	Vouchers.	Cash.	Vouchers.	Cash.	Vouchers.	Vouchers	Cash.	Vouchers.			Vouchers.	Vouchers.	Cash.	Vouchers.	Vouchers	Vouchers.	Vouchers		Vouchers and Cash						
1. Bethlehem	$	$	$	$	$ 2 00	$		$	$		$		$	$	$ 3 00	$ 15	$	$	$	$	$	$	$		$	$	$ 5 15	$	$ 50 00	$	$ 200 00
2. Bethel	5 00		5 00		5 00								5 00		1 50												21 50		150 00		400 00
3. Concord	75		75		3 76										2 00	1 00							5 00				8 26	5 00			
4. Ephesus			2 50												1 50												4 00		50 00	100 00	400 00
5. Fellowship		5 00	5 00		4 95	7 55									4 00								10 00				13 95	22 55	150 00	10 00	600 00
6. Friendship	1 47		1 62		6 10	3 90									1 00	50											10 97	3 90	50 00		500 00
7. Harmony	2 00		1 50	1 00	4 60	40							2 50		1 00	14				1 33				4 46	6 70		11 74	13 89		107 40	1000 00
8. Hopewell		5 02		20 02		23 55							1 20		1 50		3 00	6 00		6 00					7 33		2 90	70 92	400 00	30 14	1200 00
9. Hepsibah					3 05										1 00	65											4 70		40 00	450 00	500 00
10. Macedonia	2 00		6 00		2 00										1 30												11 30		75 00		400 00
11. Mars Hill	2 50		2 50												1 00	50											6 50		50 00	40 00	250 00
12. Mt. Hebron															1 50												1 50		40 00	20 00	200 00
13. Mt. Pleasant																															
14. Mt. Gilead	3 00		3 00		4 00										1 00	50							4 00				11 50	4 00	100 00		700 00
15. Mt. Zion	4 00		4 00		4 00		7 15							3 00	1 50	50							6 00		10 00		14 00	26 15	150 00		600 00
16. Medline	2 00		05					1 00							1 50	50											5 05		50 00		200 00
17. Macon		15 40	15 00	18 00		28 00								14 63	1 50										110 00		16 50	186 03	200 00	80 00	1200 00
18. New Hope	3 00		4 00		3 00										1 50	50							5 00				12 00	5 00	75 00		500 00
19. Newberne		5 00		5 00							6 80			1 80	50								15 00		40 00		50	73 60	100 00	50 00	1000 00
20. Mt. Olive	1 00														1 00	1 00						20 00					3 00	22 00	50 00		300 00
21. Ocmulgee					12 30	12 63									1 50	1 00							5 00	3 40			14 80	24 53	150 00		500 00
22. Oak Grove						8 30									1 00	50								3 50			1 50	8 30	100 00		800 00
23. Pine Flat		50		1 00	6 67	9 74	1 00							2 85	2 00		3 00	4 43		5 00			12 00	3 39	3 60		12 06	43 23	200 00	63 00	825 00
24. Pisgah		4 73		4 73	17 00	24 49					1 10				2 00							50 00					19 00	85 05	200 00	140 00	800 00
25. Siloam		55 19		51 92		89 74									5 00						12 40		38 95				5 00	248 20	1437 80	100 92	8000 00
26. Sardis					3 00			1 00							1 50	50											6 00				400 00
27. New Shiloh		68		67		9 20			3 10						1 00	50							5 00				1 50	18 65	150 00		800 00
28. Uniontown		*13 24		*37 10		*42 80							40	15 00	1 80												1 80	108 54	300 00	50 00	3000 00
29. Union	2 25		2 40		2 35										1 00	50			1 00								9 50				
Missionary Collec'n	30 67		30 67		39 66																						92 00				
Total	$59 64	$ 104 76	$83 99	$ 139 44	$114 44	$ 260 30	$ 8 15	$ 2 00	$ 3 19	2	$ 7 90	40	$8 70	$37 28	$45 60	$8 94	$ 6 00	$ 10 43	$ 1 00	$12 33	$ 12 40	$70 00	$ 4 46		$121 98	$10 29	$ 163 60	$399 95	$969 54	$4317 80	$2572 46	$25375 00

*Of this amount the Ladies' Aid Society paid $16 00 and the Sunday-school $20 00.

STATISTICAL TABLE OF THE CHURCHES AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF THE CAHABA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION—1889.

CHURCHES.	COUNTY.	PASTORS.	PASTORS' POST-OFFICES.	CLERKS.	CLERKS' POST-OFFICES.	Membership last reported.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dism'sed by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Total Membership.	No. Copies Relig's Papers Taken.	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTEND'TS.	POST-OFFICES.	No Sunday-schools.	No. Officers and Teachers.	Scholars Enrolled	Sunday-school Papers Taken.	No. of Months in Session.
*Bethlehem	Perry	J. J. Stewart	....	N. B. Coker.	.....	144	5	...	3	35	16	5	94	....	.....	.....	..	....	....	....	....
Bethel	Bibb	D. C. Culbreth	Centreville	J. P. Harris.	Harrisburg	51	11	1	..	....	..	1	63	....	J. P. Harris	Harrisburg	1	....	....	....	....
Concord	Perry	.....	.....	R. N. Edwards	Felix	112	...	....	..	10	3	1	89	....	W. R. Hanson	Perryville	1	....	....	....	....
Ephesus	Perry	A. M Perry	Bethlehem	Jas. A. Logan	Theo...	140	9	2	..	9	26	3	113	....	.....	.....	..	....	....	....	....
Fellowship	Perry	W. A. Bishop	Carthage	J. A. Gray	Morgan Spring	149	2	2	..	6	..	2	145	5	J. T. Curb	Marion	2	14	90	100	12
Friendship	Perry	J W. Mitchell.	Six Mile	J. W. Cochran.	Ocmulgee	94	2	....	1	11	3	3	75	..	E. C. Crow	.....	1	3	25	...	..
Harmony	Perry	.....	.....	A. J. Ivie	Folsom	13	...	....	..	....	..	..	13	....	A. J. Ivie	Folsom	1	7	40	40	12
Hopewell	Perry	.....	.....	. U. Tubb	Scotts Station	58	1	1	..	2	..	1	61	....	A. M. Evans	Folsom	1	8	60	....	12
Hepsibah	Perry	A. M. Perry	Pinetucky	W. J. Goodger	Chadwick	....	5	....	..	1	..	.	48	....	.....	.....	..	....	....	....	....
Macedonia	Hale	J. H. Payne	Tuscaloosa	J. J. Stivender	Havana	57	....	....	..	....	..	..	57	....	.....	.....	..	....	..	....	....
Mars Hill	Perry	Elijah Bell	Marion	A. P. Ford.	Marion	76	....	....	..	....	..	..	77	....	.....	.....	..	....	....	....	....
Mt. Hebron	Hale	M. B. Smith	Tuscaloosa	P. T. Harris	Stewarts Sta'n	....	4	1	..	....	..	.	29	...	.....	.....	..	....	..	....	....
Mt. Pleasant	Hale	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	....	....	..	....	..	..	....	....	.....	.....	..	....	....	....	....
Mt. Gilead	Bibb	A. M Perry	Bethlehem	W. T. McCraw	Abercrombie	66	....	1	..	1	..	1	66	....	J. W. Haggard	Abercrombie	1	....	35	....	....
Mt. Zion	Bibb	D. C. Culbreth	Centreville	J. N. C. Brown.	Centreville	56	1	1	.	1	..	..	56	....	J. N. C. Brown.	Centreville	1	....	32	...	6
Medline	Perry	A. M Perry	Bethlehem	Thomas A. Sanders	Chadwick	....	....	6	1	2	1	2	73	....	.....	.....	..	....	....	....	....
Macon	Hale	T. W. Hart	Uniontown	J. P. Harris	Gallion	26	..	....	..	2	..	..	25	....	J. T. Collins	Gallion	1	5	30	....	6
New Hope	Hale	Jas. H. Payne	Tuscaloosa	Jno. S. Davis	Five Mile	87	4	2	1	1	3	1	89	....	.....	.....	..	....	....	....	....
Newberne	Hale	.....	.....	J. E. Walker	Newberne	32	....	....	..	....	..	..	28	....	J. E. Walker	Newberne	1	....	....	....	....
Ocmulgee	Perry	. M. Bradley	Perryville	J. A. Weaver	Selma	78	1	1	..	3	..	1	72	....	C. C. Smith	Felix	1	....	35	....	....
Oak Grove	Dallas	.....	.....	W. P. McCollum	Marion Junc'n	19	1	....	..	1	..	..	18	....	.....	.....	..	....	....	....	....
Pine Flat	Perry	L. M. Bradley	Perryville	J W. McCollough.	Felix	68	....	5	1	3	2	1	68	....	E. P. George	Felix	1	6	57	...	12
Pisgah	Perry	L. M. Bradley	Perryville	W. W. Smith	Perryville	108	8	12	1	....	1	4	124	....	W. W. Smith	Perryville	1	8	140	...	12
Siloam	Perry	H. D. D. Straton	Marion	W. H. Lovelace	Marion	327	33	27	.	34	..	..	353	....	Porter King.	.....	1	26	160	....	12
ardis	Perry	J. R. Wiggins	Data, Bibb Co	R. S. Tubb.	Ironville	57	10	15	..	....	..	..	75	....	G. F. Tucker	.....	1	....	....	....	....
New Shiloh	Perr	L. M. Bradley	Perryville	W. T. Person	Perryville	32	5	5	..	1	..	..	41	....	R. Q. Pryor	Perryville	1	..	37	....	12
Uniontown	Perry	T. W. Hart	Uniontown	Orpha Woodfin	Uniontown	69	1	12	..	6	1	..	75	....	.....	.....	1	....	60	....	....
Union	Hale	W. A. Bishop	Carthage	H. T. Stringfellow.	Greensboro	71	3	....	..	....	..	1	72	....	.....	.....	..	....	....	....	....
*Mt. Olive	.....	A. M. Perry	Bethlehem	A. Miller	.....	....	13	8	1	4	1	..	68	....	.....	.....	1	....	25	....	....
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